JANE GABLE

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"Jane, this can't go on any longer."

"I'm through with the real army. They've dismissed me. That is, father me to the Salvation Army," she exclaimed, seating herself beside Graydon. "I wish I were Jane and my own mistress."

"Dear me, Ethel, what an ambition!" said Jane. "What has happened to upset you so?" "Father has."

very moral young man."

"Harry? Who is Harry?" "Why, haven't you heard? Harry Soper. I'm engaged to him." "The lieutenant?"

"Certainly. He's going to be promoted, though, if he ever gets on the firing line. It's not his fault that he has to do duty in the walled city. He's aching to get out and fight. But father"- Here she paused, her lips coming together with a firmness that boded ill.

"No. He says Harry is a 'little pup.' It's outrageous, Jane." "Don't cry, dear. The world is full

of men." "Not for me," said Ethel dolefully. "I've picked Harry out of a hundred

or more, and I think my discrimination ought to be considered. I'm the one to be satisfied. Father has no"-"But how about that young fellow back in New York? You used to say he

"He is the only one in New York. But look how far off he is! It takes weeks for his letters to get to me."

"But he writes every day." "Harry telephones every day. I tell you. Jane, the voice has a good deal to do with it. You like to hear a fellow say nice things. It beats ink all to pieces. It will go hard -ith him perhaps, but he's you 'll get over

"You are youn have got over G "I'm not as yo decided on H let us get me o to set un mari He sa Harry I the Father L regular, r make g joke on 1 mother, said the se reling abou

was the only one."

It was an a cents I'd elo "It would officer on du think?" asked "Not if he too. But I have Mother says I

spoiled out here says flatly that . back to the States "Back to the fellow in New York?" smiled Jane encouragingly.

Ethel thought for a moment, and a dear little smile came into her troubled

"I hope he hasn't gone and fallen in love with some other girl," she said. It was true, as Jane soon learned, that Mrs. Harbin had concluded to return to the United States with Ethel. Jane's aunt had grown immeasurably tired of Manila-and perhaps a little more tired of the colonel. It was she who aroused the colonel's antipathy to little Lieutenant Soper. She dwelt upon the dire misfortune that was possible if Ethel continued to bask in the society of "those young ninutes." The colonel developed a towering rage and a great fear that Ethel might become fatally contaminated before she could be whisked off of the Island. It was decided that Mrs. Harbin and Ethel should return to the United States soon after the first of March to take up their residence in New York city.

"Mother wants to be a soldier's widow-on parole," sniffed Ethel, almost audibly enough for her father's

Mrs. Harbin at once informed Jane that she was expected to return with them. She demurred at first, purely for the sake of appearances, but in the end agreed to tender her resignation to the Red Cross society. The knowledge that Graydon Bansemer's discharge was soon forthcoming and that he intended to return to America in the spring had more to do with this decision than she was willing to admit. She therefore announced her ambition to become a trained nurse and gave no beed to Mrs. Harbin's insinuating

smile. Letters of late from Mrs. Cable had been urging her to return to Chicago. David Cable was far from well, Breaking fast, and he was wearing out his heart in slient longing for her return. He wrote to her bimself that be expected to retire from active business early in the year and that his time and

fortune from that day on would be devoted to his family. He held out attractive visions of travel, of residence

could enjoy together. She was always daughter to them, and they were father and mother.

of each. Three men had written to read. Jane was sitting near by watch- Rapp, and Robert Tiemann, ing the expression on his face.

finished. "What does he say?" she asked anx-

lously. for life," replied Graydon bitterly. "I cannot forget, though, Jane. He is not the sort of friend I want."

"He thought it was for the best, Graydon."

"Yes, and he may have thought he was my friend too. This letter says as much. But I like an enemy better, dear. You know what to expect of an enemy at all times. Here's one from 1105 Main street are showing great Elias Droom-old Elias." Droom bargains in trimmed dress hats and scrawled a few words of cheer to the fur hats. young soldier, urging him not to rehis two years. He inclosed a letter stock is well worth looking over before and mother have. They are driving from Mr. Clegg, in which that gentle- making a purchase elsewhere, no matman promised to put Graydon in ter what price you may be offered. charge of their New York office if he One will always find a good assortwould take the place. This news sent household goods at remarkable prices his spirits bounding. Tears of a grate- either for cash or on easy payments, fulness he never expected to feel and can depend upon receiving fair sprang to his eyes. Jane's happiness treatment under all circumstances. was a reflection of his own.

James Bansemer's letter was not read at Kleban & Gelman's, a great collec-"I should have asked who, hot aloud to Jane. When he had finished tion of seasonable new merchandise the perusal of the long epistle he fold- use to an advantage. The "Blue Coa s" "I suppose they expect me to marry ed it and stuck it away in his pocket. with "night st'cks" as an illustration a Salvation Army man. They say Har- His eyes seemed a bit wistful and his order, orders all surplus stock that has ry isn't good enough. I think he is a face drawn, but there was no word to been found during their semi-annual let her know what had been written by pleted) to move on, odd lots to be sure the man who had denounced her.

did not tell her that his father had tisement in to-day's Farmer. urged him to go into business in the Philippines, saying that he would provide ample means with which to begin and carry on any enterprise he cared to exploit. One paragraph cut Graydon to the quick:

"I'd advise you to steer clear of Chicago. If they don't kill you in the Phil- ley, Vine St., near Park Ave.; Edippines you're better off there. They hate us here."





CHAPTER XXVII.



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ARLY in March a great transport sailed from Manila bay laden with sick and disabled soldiers-the lame, the healthless and the mad. It was not a

merry shipload, although hundreds were rejoicing in the escape from the hardships of life in the islands. Gray don Bansemer was among them, weak and distrustful of his own future, albeit a medal of honor and the prospect of an excellent position were ahead of him. His discharge was assured. He had served his country briefly, but well, and he was not loath to rest on his insignificant laurels and to respect the memory of the impulse which had 380 LAFAYETTE ST. Tel. 3192 driven him into service. In his heart he felt that time would make him as strong as ever, despite the ugly scar in his side. It was a question with him, however, whether time could revive the ambiton that had been smothered during the first days of despair. He looked ahead with keen inquiry, speculating on the uncertain whirl of for tune's wheel.

Jane was obduracy itself in respect to his pleadings. A certain light in her eyes had at last brought conviction to his soul. He began to fear, with a mighty pain, that she would not retreat from the stand she had taken. She went on board with Mrs. Harbin and Ethel. There were other wives on board who had found temporary release from irksome but voluntary enlistment. Jane's resignation from the Red Cross society deprived her of the privileges which would have permitted her to see much of Graydon. They were kept separated by the transport's regulations-he was a common soldler, she of the officers' mess. The restrictions were cruel and relentless. They saw but little of one another during the thirty days, but their thoughts were busy with the days to come. Graydon grew stronger and more confident as the ship forged nearer to the Golden Gate, Jane more wistful and resigned to the new purpose which was to give life another coloring, if possible. They were but one day out from San Francisco when he found the opportunity to converse with her as she passed through the quarters

of the luckless ones. "Jane, I won't take no for an answer this time," he whispered eagerly. "You must consent. Do you want to ruin both of our lives?" "Why will you persist, Graydon's

You know I cannot"-"You can. Consider me as well as yourself. I want you. Isn't that enough? You can't ask for more love than I will give. Tomorrow we'll be on shore. I have many things to do Won't you wait for me? It won't be long. We can be married in San Francisco. Mr. and Mrs. Cable are to meet you. Tell them, dearest, that you want to go home with me. The home won't be in Chicago, but it will be home just

the same." "Dear Graydon, I am sorry, 1 am heartsick, but I cannot, I dare not." Gravdon Bansemer was a man as well as a lover. He gave utterance to a perfectly manlike expression, coming from the bottom of his tried soul:

(To be Continued.)

NEWTOWN.

Honor Roll of Middle District School abroad, of endless pleasure which they for January: Florence Sneehan, Catherine Cavanaugh, Sarah Brenner, Mau-Jane had written to them that she rice Diamordstein, Georgie Northrop. would not live in Chicago-any place HelenHiltbrand, Howard Wood; Geography-Florence Sheehan, Maurice Diaelse in the world, she said—and they mondstein, Sarah Brener, Helen Hiltunderstood. There was no word of brand, Catherine Cavanaugh; Lan- MALE James Bansemer in all these letters. Suage-Florence Sheeban, Catherine Brenner, Georgie Northrop; Spelling-Florence Sheehan, Helen Hilthrand. Graydon Bansemer one day received Sarah Brenner, Edgar Rapp, Catherine three letters, all from Chicago. He Cavauaugh, Alice Read; Perfect in atknew the handwriting on the envelope tendance for January-Catherine Cavanaugh, Millicent Cavanaugh, Helen Hilthrand, Alice Houlihan, Justine him-his fatner, Elias Droom and Rig- Houlihan, Georgie Northrop, Helen by. A dark scowl came over his face Northrop, Francis Ray, Lester Ray, as he looked at the Rigby envelope. It Alice Read, Florence Shechan, Paul was the first letter that he opened and Smith, and Agnes Glover; Half Day TO RENT .- 4 rooms and attic, mod-Absent-Maurice Diamondstein, Edgar

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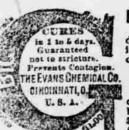
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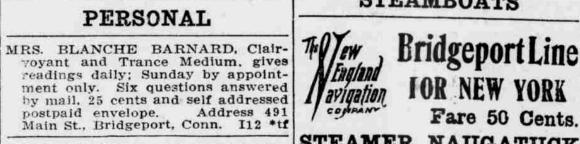
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11:54 P. M. - SUNDAYS- 2:32. *1:41, *2:19, 8:13, 9:43, *10:44,*11:38, A. M-+2:29. *4:25, *6:32, 7:18, *7:32. 8:47, *10:02 P. M. FOR BOSTON, via New London and Providence—*1:41, *2:19, 6:50, *11:33 A. M.-*2:29, *3:46, *4:25.

6:32 P. M.—SUNDAYS—•1:41, •2:15

FOR WINSTED and Intermediate Stations---5:00, 7:00, 9:45, A. M.---2:35, *5:54, 7:40 P. M.-SUNDAYS-8:30 A. M.-6:45 P. M. FOR WATERBURY, ANSONIA

FOR GT. BARRINGTON, LENOX FOR DANBURY, NEW MILFORD, ETC., via Brookfield Junction.---7:00, 9:50, A. M.—4:33, 6:37 P. M. FOR LITCHFIELD, ETC .-- 9:50 A

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*11:33 A. M.-*2:29 *4:25, *6:32 FOR BOSTON, via Hartford and Willimantic-*9:35, A. M.-*3:30, P.

DERBY and Intermediate Stations---5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45 A. 2:35, †5:54, 7:40 P. M.-SUNDAYS.-8:30, 10:50, A. M.-6:45, 8:50, P. M. PITTSFIELD, ETC .-- 7:00, 9:50, A.M. -4:33. P. M.-SUNDAYS-8:30 A. M.

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